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RE: MUR 5294

Conservative Campaign Fund and

Peter Flaherty, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Braden:

On May 9, 2002, you were notified that the Federal Election Commission determined to take no further action against your clients, the Conservative Campaign Fund and Peter Flaherty, as treasurer ("CCF"), and closed the file as it pertained to them. On August 27, 2002, the Commission severed the portion of MURs 4568, 4633, 4634 and 4736 concerning CCF and placed it into a new matter, designated MUR 5294. On the same date, the Commission closed MUR 5294. Accordingly, the confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public.

Because of restrictions recently placed on the Commission with respect to its making public investigative files in closed enforcement matters, the public record in this matter will consist of redacted General Counsel's Reports, redacted Certifications of the Commission's votes, Conciliation Agreements and Statements of Reasons. See American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations v. FEC, 177 F. Supp.2d 48 (D.D.C. 2001), appeal docketed, No. 02-5069 (D.C. Cir. Feb. 28, 2002). Copies of these General Counsel's Reports (dated March 18, 2002, August 27, 2002 and September 3, 2002) and the Certifications of the Commission's votes as described above are enclosed.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

As stated.